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INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT
UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.97(b)

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Sir:

Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.56 and 1.97(b), Applicants bring to the attention of the Examiner the documents listed on the attached Form PTO 1449. This Information Disclosure Statement is being filed concurrently with the above-referenced application.

Copies of the listed documents are attached. Applicants respectfully request that the Examiner consider the listed documents and indicate that they were considered by making appropriate notations on the attached 1449 form.

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With respect to the non-English language documents, Applicants submit the following remarks:

1. **EP 0 796 850** - This document is believed to be related to U.S. Patent No. 5,931,973, submitted herewith.
2. **FR 2 070 879** - An abstract of the disclosure of this document can be found in the English language Derwent Abstract submitted herewith.
3. **FR 2 818 536** - An abstract of the disclosure of this document can be found in the English language Derwent Abstract submitted herewith.
4. **WO 02/100367** - An English language abstract of this foreign language document can be found on the title page of this document.

Applicants have enclosed a copy of the priority application's French Search Report for the Examiner's consideration.

This submission does not represent that a search has been made or that no better art exists and does not constitute an admission that each or all of the listed documents are material or constitute "prior art." If the Examiner applies any of the documents as prior art against any claim in the application and Applicants determine that the cited documents do not constitute "prior art" under United States law, Applicants reserve the right to present to the U.S. Patent Office the relevant facts and law regarding the appropriate status of such documents.

Applicants further reserve the right to take appropriate action to establish the patentability of the disclosed invention over the listed documents, should one or more of the documents be applied against the claims of the present application.

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U.S. PATENT DOCUMENTS							
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	1	5,931,973	Aug. 3, 1999	Malle et al.			

FOREIGN PATENT DOCUMENTS							
		Document Number	Date	Country	Class	Sub Class	Translation Yes or N
	2	EP 0 796 850	Sep. 24, 1997	Europe			No
	3	FR 2 070 879	Sep. 17, 1971	France			Abstract
	4	FR 2 818 536	Jun. 28, 2002	France			Abstract
	5	WO 95/15144	Jun. 8, 1995	PCT			
	6	WO 02/100367	Dec. 19, 2002	PCT			Abstract

OTHER DOCUMENTS (Including Author, Title, Date, Pertinent Pages, Etc.)		
	7	English language Derwent Abstract of FR 2 070 879, Sep. 17, 1971.
	8	English language Derwent Abstract of FR 2 818 536, Jun. 28, 2002.

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